



THE COUNTY LINE ROADRUNNER

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Thoughts from the Board

AI-N1API Northeast District Director

The Northeast District of MARAC consists of CT, MA, ME, NH, NJ, NY, RI, VT, VE1, VE2, VE9, VY2 and Europe. I mention this because I have been temporarily been sitting on the Awards Committee since it's permanent Northeast Committee Member resigned. I told the Awards Chairman, N5MLP, that I would hold this position only for a short time because of other commitments which require my time and attention. If you live in the before mentioned areas, please consider volunteering to serve on the Awards Committee. You will have a say in the creation of new awards or modifications to existing awards that the club offers. I will be asking Ron to remove me from the committee after the Annual Meeting which occurs sometime in July. You can email me directly or Ron if you are willing to serve. We need you!

The Board of Directors also needs a sitting Vice President. This does not mean that you are "one heartbeat" away from the Presidency but it is a seat and a voice on the Board of Directors and a chance to guide the direction of MARAC. This position has been vacant for almost a year now. We really could use someone to fill this position.

MARAC needs YOU!

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Mobile activity has really picked up over the last month or so. Hopefully you have been able to overcome some tricky propagation to snag a few new counties that you need. Enjoy your spring as warm weather is around the corner.

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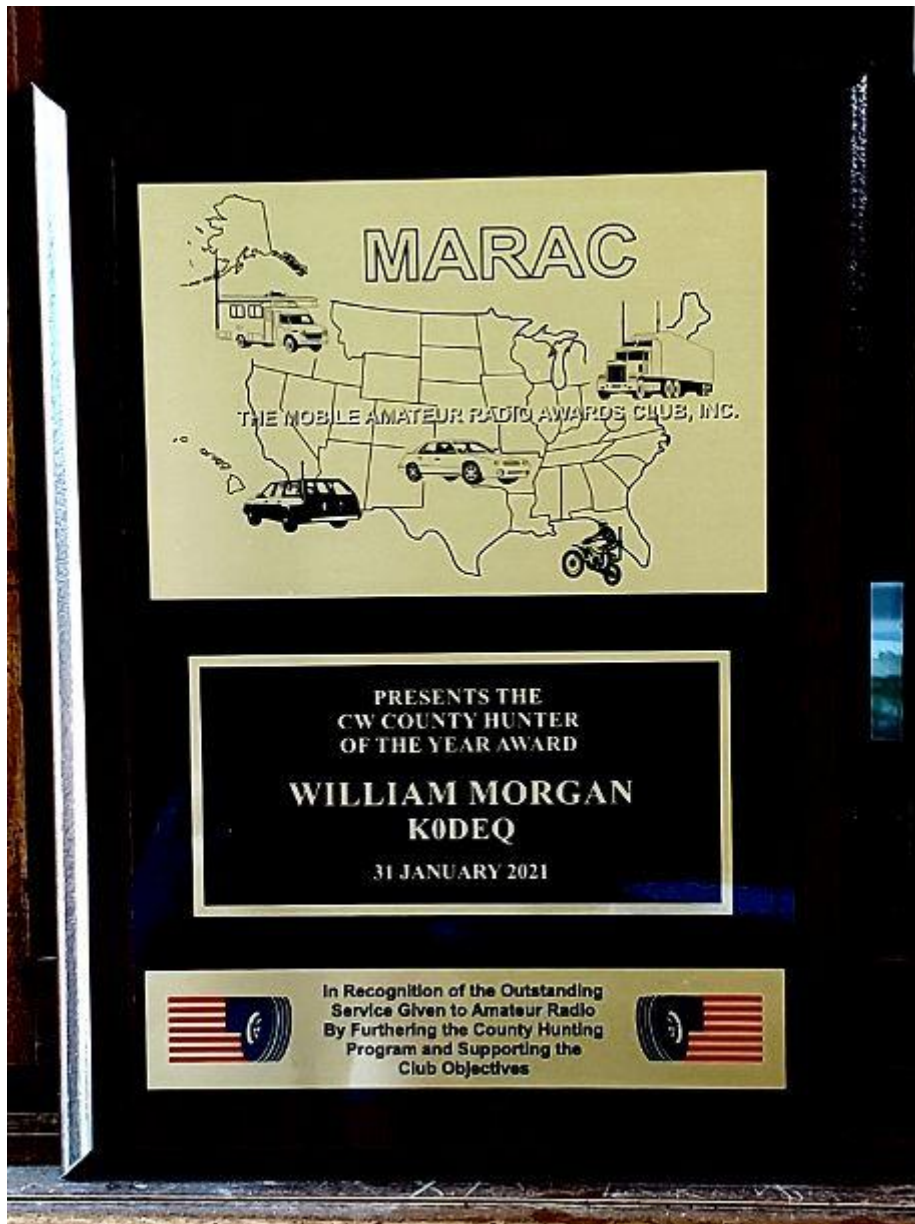
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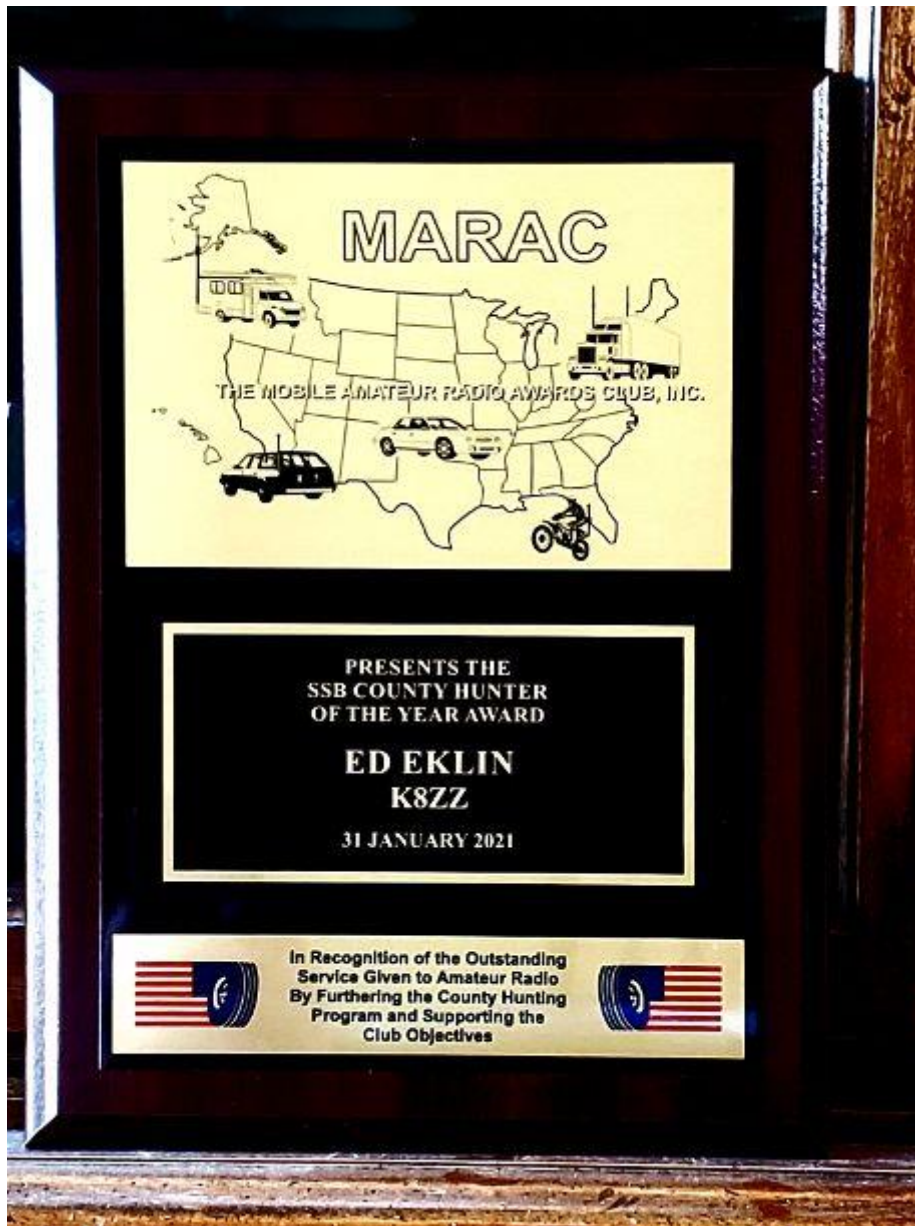


County Hunter of the Year-Congrats!!

Phil-AB7RW

Congratulations to the 2021 County Hunters of the Year! **K0DEQ** for SSB and **K8ZZ** for CW!!





Other Awards of Note

Check out the Award Manager's column below. Of special note, big-time congrats to **K0DEQ** for USACA 2nd time, **KB6UF** for All K Prefix, **KC3X** for USACA 12th time, and **KC3X** for ALL CW 5th time! Other milestones are **K8ZZ** with 1000 RoadRunner level and **KB6UF** with 1,725 RoadRunner Levels!

MARAC National Convention Update

Donna-AG6V

Early Summer 2021 Update

The 2020 National Convention is now targeted for the summer of 2022 ! Tentatively sometime during the first two weeks of June. I will be travelling thru Montana in June, researching convention sites. Of course, I will also be activating some counties during the trip. There is a trip posted on the CountyHunterWeb.org trips page for any who wish to 'ride along'. Please direct all questions and comments to ag6v at arrl dot net.



Donna-AG6V

Is your MARAC address info correct?

Kerry-W4SIG

It has been brought to my attention that many county hunters do not have accurate addresses in the MARAC database. An unusually large amount of mailed mobile-reply-cards (MRCs) are getting returned with "no forwarding address". Wasted postage and time. Please take a moment to check out your info in the Database tab on marac.org to make sure your info is up-to-date. Thanks!!!

Final Countdown

Kerry-W4SIG

The following MARAC Members need less than 10 counties for the "Whole Ball of Wax", also known as WBOW. Let's give them a hand! If you have less than 10 to go in the entire country for any MARAC Award please send those needs to Kerry, W4SIG, for inclusion in this new monthly article. Please keep me updated as these lists dwindle so we have accurate info for mobiles that want to help you out.

K2MF/WBOW ALL CW 20METERS

GA: Jenkins, Montgomery, Upson

W4SIG/WBOW N PREFIX

ID: Teton **MA**: Nantucket

W4SIG/WBOW W PREFIX

AK: 1st, 2nd, **HI**: Kauai, **IN**: Spencer, **NH**: Coos, Sullivan, **NJ**: Hudson

W4SIG/WBOW 1X3 CALLSIGNS

AK: 2ND, 3RD, 4TH

W4SIG/WBOW 1X2 CALLSIGNS

AL: Lamar, **ME**: Aroostook, Piscataquis, Somerset, Waldo, **MA**: Dukes

W4SIG/WBOW ALL CW 3RD TIME

HI: Kalawao, **NY**: Chenango

W4SIG/WBOW 40METERS

CA: Mariposa

W4SIG/WBOW 30 METERS

CA: Madera, Mariposa, **NY**: Chenango

W4SIG/WBOW BINGO III

CA: Contra Costa, San Francisco, Ventura, **HI**: Kalawao, **PA**: Montour

N4RS – WBOW 40m Using CW Only

AK: 2nd District

KC3X – WBOW 40 Meters

ID: Camas, **MT**: Daniels, Pondera, Prairie, **OR**: Benton, Sherman, **WA**: Jefferson

N1API – WBOW BINGO III

MA: Suffolk

N5MLP – WBOW A Prefix

AR: Arkansas, **LA:** Grant, Vermillion, Vernon, **MS:** Issaquena, **TN:** Hardeman, Houston, Marshall, **VA:** Mathews, **WA:** Garfield

N5MLP—WBOW Bingo IV

AK: First, Second, Third, Fourth, **CA:** Lake, **HI:** Kalawao, **WA:** Columbia, Garfield

N5MLP – WBOW 5th Time

AK: First J.D., Second J.D., Third J.D.

N0KV—WBOW K Prefix

ID: Teton, **NE:** Nance, **SD:** Haakon, **WV:** McDowell, **WY:** Goshen

N0KV—WBOW Mobile to Mobile

GA: Wheeler, **KY:** Knott, Larue, Menifee, **NC:** Catawba, Lee, **VA:** Lunenburg, Mathews

N0KV—WBOW 5th Time

MT: Daniels, **ND:** Renville, **WI:** Sawyer

K4YT -WBOW 4th Time

HI: Kalawao

K4YT – WBOW All SSB

AK: First JD

K4YT – WBOW 1x2 Calls

LA: Assumption, **MS:** Jefferson

K4YT – WBOW Mobile to Mobile

CA: Marin, Nevada, San Joaquin, Yolo, **MD:** Calvert, **OR:** Benton, Coos

K4YT – WBOW A Prefix

MS:-Holmes, Issaquena, Lafayette, Sharkey, Winston. **TN:**-Perry. **VA:**-Craig

K0DEQ- WBOW Bingo

AL: Tallapoosa; **AR:** Cleburne, Stone; **GA:** Evans; **MO:** Cedar

K0MAF- WBOW USACA 1st Time

IA: Cherokee, Emmet **KY:** Monroe, McLean, Owsley **MN:** Pennington

NF0N – WBOW ALL CW 2nd Time

IN: Delaware, **MI:** Muskegon, Baraga

NF0N—WBOW N Prefix

IA: Palo Alto, Winnebago, **ME:** Franklin, **MN:** Benton, **ND:** Griggs

W4YDY/WBOW CW 2ND TIME

OR: Crook, Wheeler

W4YDY/WBOW A PREFIX

MS: Oktibbeha **OH**: Putnam **PA**: Philadelphia **VA**: Amelia, King William

W4YDY/WBOW W PREFIX

AK: First J. D. S E **NY**: Essex, Montgomery **OR**: Sherman **PA**: Tioga **SC**: Union **TX**: Dickens, Runnels, Somervell **VA**: Floyd

WA3QNT—WBOW MASTERS GOLD

AK: 2nd Dist **GA**: Lee **IN**: Morgan **PA**: Bucks **MT**: Lake, Sanders **NY**: New York, Yates

NU0Q – WBOW MASTER GOLD

AK: 4TH District

NU0Q/WBOW MASTER PLATINUM

IA: Franklin, Hamilton, **MD**:Worcester, **NJ**: Hunterdon, **OH**: Darke, **PA**: Cameron, Dauphin, Lebanon, Potter

KM6HB/WBOW 4TH TIME

IN: Decatur, **KY**: Grayson, Knott, Lawrence, Leslie, **MI**: Newaygo, **MT**: Prairie, **TN**: DeKalb, Grundy, **VT**:Grand Isle

Election Information

Ron Wilcox-KF7ZN
Election Coordinator

I hope this issue of the Roadrunner finds everyone doing great. Hopefully, you live in an area where things are opening up, and you are able to safely get out and be active. I am looking forward to running counties in Utah and Idaho this summer. Thanks to the time and the efforts of the mobiles and those that assist them Those of us chasing awards appreciate their time. One way to support them and show appreciation is through voting.

With that in mind, we will be having our fourth quarter voting in June. This voting will cover March, April, and May. This will go out to all members in good standing, each of whom will receive an email from Simply Voting. The voting period will go from the 5th to the 20th of June. That gives everyone about two weeks to complete their voting. I will send the results to Ron N5MLP, who is the awards manager, and the board.

The email you receive from Simply Voting will contain a link and a password for your ballot. Please follow the instructions once you have gone to the voting page.

If you are a new member or are rejoining MARAC after a lapse in membership, you will not be eligible to vote until the first day of the month following receipt of your dues and valid membership application by the Secretary of MARAC. Those individuals who have maintained uninterrupted membership status will be eligible to vote in the upcoming election.

If you are unsure of your membership status, please visit the MARAC website, click on county hunter DB, enter your call in the Call Look up and you will find your expiration date.

As has been mentioned already, no vote will be needed for the Great Lakes and Southeast Directors, since both Kerry W4SIG and Darl NA8W agreed to serve another 2-year term, and were unopposed, and no vote will be needed for County Hunter of the Year.

The following awards will be voted on.

- CW & SSB Mobile of the Year
- CW & SSB Net Assist of the Year
- Team of the Year

Remember, if you have not voted, you will receive two (2) reminder emails from Simply Voting. If you have previously voted and receive a reminder email, it probably means you forgot to click on the submit button. Follow the instructions and try again. The system will not allow you to vote more than once.

If you have any questions regarding Simply Voting, please e-mail me and we'll see if we can figure out the issue. This will be my second election and I am hoping I have everything right this time, but of course if not, feel free to let me know.

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Ron KF7ZN

MARAC Election Coordinator



Ron-KF7ZN

Awards Committee

Ron-N5MLP

4th Quarterly Vote on Annual Awards to be completed in June

The fourth quarter of the annual period used to determine winners of the annual mobile of the year, mobile team of the year, and mobile assist of the year awards will end May 31, 2021. See the Election Coordinator's article in this issue of the *RoadRunner* for details concerning how the electronic voting election will be held and what dates during June, 2021 the Simply Voting system will be open for members in good standing to cast their ballots.

Awards Issued April 25 through May 24, 2021

Awards Issued:					Roadrunner Awards Issued:			
Call	Date of Last Contact	Award	Level	Cert. No.	Call	Date of Last Contact	L C Count:	Cert. No.
KA4RRU	10/12/1980	USA-Single Band - 40m	1000	7	KC3X	4/12/2021	450	48
KA4RRU	11/6/1980	USA-Single Band - 80m	1000	8	KB6UF	4/20/2021	1,700	2
KA4RRU	11/21/2011	US Presidents Counties (196)	All	60	KB6UF	4/27/2021	1,725	2
KA4RRU	11/7/2012	Native American Counties (382)	All	62	AB7NK	4/29/2021	1,025	12
KA4RRU	2/19/2021	USA-Single Band - 160m	1000	1	K8ZZ	5/21/2021	1,000	13
KB6UF	4/22/2021	USA-PA - K		35	N8OYY	5/22/2021	250	96
KC3X	4/25/2021	USA-CW V		9				
K0DEQ	5/1/2021	WAC* - 2nd Time		445				
AB7NK	5/5/2021	RAS* - TN		28				
K7SEN	5/5/2021	RAS* - TN		29				
K7SEN	5/7/2021	RAS* - MS		29				
AB7NK	5/7/2021	RAS* - MS		28				
KA4RRU	5/21/2021	USA-Single Band - 15m	1000	9	Legend of Abbreviations:			
KC3X	5/21/2021	WAC* - 12th Time		5	RAS* = Ran All State			
KA4RRU	TBD*	USA-Single Band - 20m	1000	2	WAC* = Worked All USA Counties			
KA4RRU	TBD*	USA-Single Band - 20m	2000	2	TBD* = Date when intermediate level was achieved is to be determined. Logs submitted support higher level of completion than the intermediate level requires.			
KA4RRU	TBD*	USA-Single Band - 40m	2000	3				
KA4RRU	TBD*	USA-Single Band - 30m	1000	3				
KA4RRU	TBD*	USA-Single Band - 30m	2000	4				
KA4RRU	5/23/2021	USA-Single Band - 17m	1000	6				

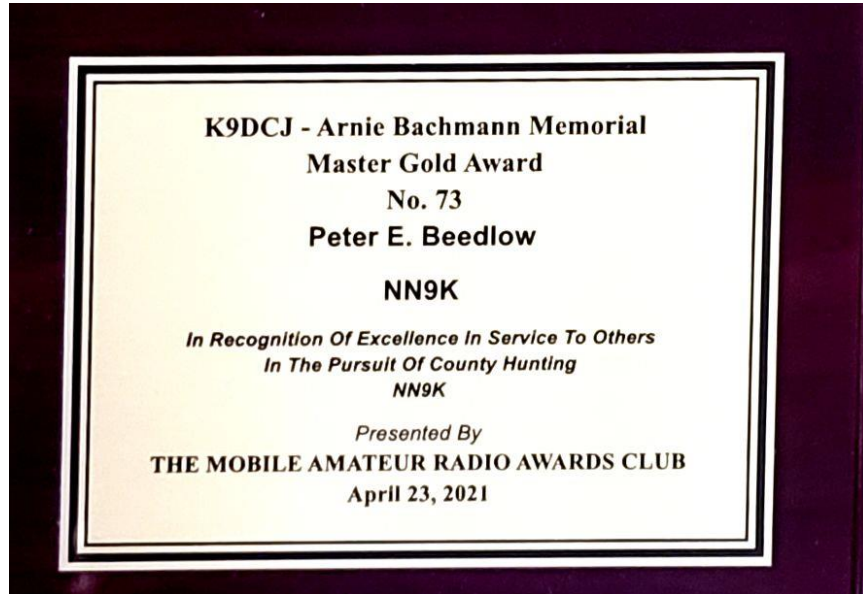


N5MLP – Ron Clift, MARAC Awards Manager

Samples of MARAC Awards

Phil-AB7RW

Ever wonder what some of those plaques look like that members are achieving? Courtesy of our Awards Secretary, Phil AB7RW, here are some examples!





MARAC Treasurer's Report

Bill-K0DEQ
Treasurer

Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club

Treasurer's Report (K0DEQ)

Apr 20, 2021 Through May 19, 2021

Beginning Account Balance \$18,944.09

Income:

Savings Account Interest \$ 9.13

Awards Income	29.00	
Misc Income		
Membership Income	228.53	
Logger Distribution Income		
Donation	10.00	
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Total Income		\$276.66

Expenses:

Awards Expenses	\$ 262.57	
Misc. Expenses NOTE 1	40.00	
Office Expenses (Postage, etc.)		
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Total expenses		\$302.57

Net Income Less Expenses (\$25.91)

Cash Balance \$18,918.18

Checking Account Balance \$ 2,899.99

Savings Account Balance _16,018.19

Total all accounts \$18,918.18

Note 1 Annual Corporate registration fee

From a balance sheet perspective, MARAC cash balance shown above should be discounted by \$6099.00, which is the amount of award fees pre-paid by members. After subtracting this amount, the true (spendable) Cash Balance is \$12,819.10

MARAC Silent Keys

This month it is with sadness and fond memories that we remember the following Silent Keys:

(If you have information that should be included here, please contact W4SIG)

W1TEF- Tom Francis, MARAC #4689

2021 State QSO Parties

Courtesy of WA7BNM

June

Kentucky	± Kentucky QSO Party	1400Z, June 5 to 0200Z, Jun 6, 2021
West Virginia	± West Virginia QSO Party	1600Z, Jun 19 to 0400Z, Jun 20, 2021

July

Missouri	± Missouri QSO Party	1400Z, Jul 31 to 0400Z, Aug 1, 2021 and 1400Z-2000Z, Aug 1, 2021
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August

Maryland	± Maryland-DC QSO Party	*1400Z, Aug 8 to 0400Z, Aug 9, 2020
Hawaii	± Hawaii QSO Party	*0400Z, Aug 22 to 0400Z, Aug 24, 2020
Ohio	± Ohio QSO Party	*1600Z, Aug 22 to 0400Z, Aug 23, 2020
Kansas	± Kansas QSO Party	1400Z, Aug 28 to 0200Z, Aug 29, 2021 and 1400Z-2000Z, Aug 29, 2021

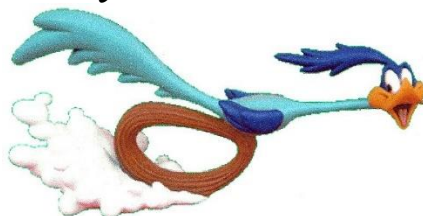
September

Colorado	± Colorado QSO Party	*1300Z, Sep 5 to 0400Z, Sep 6, 2020
Tennessee	± Tennessee QSO Party	*1800Z, Sep 6 to 0300Z, Sep 7, 2020
Alabama	± Alabama QSO Party	*1500Z, Sep 12 to 0300Z, Sep 13, 2020
Texas	± Texas QSO Party	1400Z, Sep 18 to 0200Z, Sep 19, 2021 and 1400Z-2000Z, Sep 19, 2021
Iowa	± Iowa QSO Party	*1400Z, Sep 19 to 0200Z, Sep 20, 2020
New Hampshire	± New Hampshire QSO Party	*1600Z, Sep 19 to 0400Z, Sep 20, 2020 and *1600Z-2200Z, Sep 20, 2020
New Jersey	± New Jersey QSO Party	*1600Z, Sep 19 to 0359Z, Sep 20, 2020
Washington	± Washington State Salmon Run	*1600Z, Sep 19 to 0700Z, Sep 20, 2020 and *1600Z-2400Z, Sep 20, 2020
Maine	± Maine QSO Party	*1200Z, Sep 26 to 1200Z, Sep 27, 2020

October

California	+ California QSO Party	*1600Z, Oct 3 to 2200Z, Oct 4, 2020
Arizona	+ Arizona QSO Party	1500Z, Oct 9 to 0500Z, Oct 10, 2021
Nevada	+ Nevada QSO Party	*0300Z, Oct 10 to 2100Z, Oct 11, 2020
Pennsylvania	+ Pennsylvania QSO Party	*1600Z, Oct 10 to 0500Z, Oct 11, 2020 and *1300Z-2200Z, Oct 11, 2020
South Dakota	+ South Dakota QSO Party	*1800Z, Oct 10 to 1800Z, Oct 11, 2020
New York	+ New York QSO Party	*1400Z, Oct 17 to 0200Z, Oct 18, 2020
Illinois	+ Illinois QSO Party	*1700Z, Oct 18 to 0100Z, Oct 19, 2020

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“A Roadrunner Is A Very Fast Bird”

Monthly Deadline for Articles is the 25th!

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